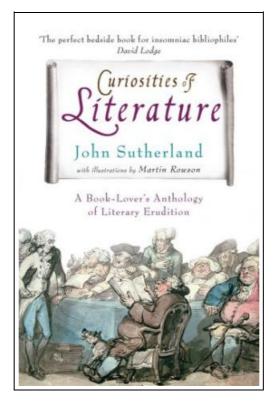
# Curiosities of Literature: A Book-lover's Anthology of Literary Erudition



Filesize: 3.33 MB

## Reviews

Merely no phrases to spell out. I actually have read through and i am certain that i will gonna study once again again later on. You wont truly feel monotony at at any time of your time (that's what catalogues are for about should you check with me).

(Jaiden Konopelski)

### CURIOSITIES OF LITERATURE: A BOOK-LOVER'S ANTHOLOGY OF LITERARY ERUDITION



Cornerstone. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Curiosities of Literature: A Book-lover's Anthology of Literary Erudition, John Sutherland, How much heavier was Thackeray's brain than Walt Whitman's? Which novels do American soldiers read? When did cigarettes start making an appearance in English literature? And, while we're about it, who wrote the first Western, is there any link between asthma and literary genius, and what really happened on Dorothea's wedding night in Middlemarch? In Curiosities of Literature, John Sutherland contemplates the full import of questions such as these, and attempts a few answers in a series of essays that are both witty and eclectic. His approach is also unashamedly discursive. An account of the fast-working Mickey Spillane, for example, leads to a consideration of the substances, both legal and illegal, that authors have employed to boost their creative energies. An essay on good and bad handwriting points out in passing that Thackeray could write the Lord's Prayer on the back of a stamp. As for Mary Shelley, a brief recital of the circumstances in which she wrote Frankenstein stops off to consider what impact the miserable summer weather of 1816 had on the future path of English literature. Of course, it is debatable whether knowledge of these arcane topics adds to the wisdom of nations, but it does highlight the random pleasures to be found in reading literature and reading about it. As John Sutherland rightly asks, 'Why else read?'.



Read Curiosities of Literature: A Book-lover's Anthology of Literary Erudition Online Download PDF Curiosities of Literature: A Book-lover's Anthology of Literary Erudition

#### Related Kindle Books



Becoming Barenaked: Leaving a Six Figure Career, Selling All of Our Crap, Pulling the Kids Out of School, and Buying an RV We Hit the Road in Search Our Own American Dream. Redefining What It Meant to Be a Family in America.

Createspace, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 258 x 208 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book \*\*\*\*\* Print on Demand \*\*\*\*\*. This isn t porn. Everyone always asks and some of our family thinks...

Read Book »



Summer Fit Preschool to Kindergarten Math, Reading, Writing, Language Arts Fitness, Nutrition and Values
Summer Fit Learning. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Paperback. 160 pages. Dimensions: 10.6in. x 8.3in. x 0.5in.Summer Fit Activity
Books move summer learning beyond academics to also prepare children physically and socially for the grade ahead....

Read Book »



Your Pregnancy for the Father to Be Everything You Need to Know about Pregnancy Childbirth and Getting Ready for Your New Baby by Judith Schuler and Glade B Curtis 2003 Paperback

Book Condition: Brand New. Book Condition: Brand New.

Read Book »



Daddyteller: How to Be a Hero to Your Kids and Teach Them What's Really by Telling Them One Simple Story at a Time

 $Create space, United States, 2013. \ Paperback. \ Book \ Condition: New. \ 214 \times 149 \ mm. \ Language: English. \ Brand \ New \ Book \ ****** \ Print on Demand \ *****. \ You have the power, Dad, to influence and educate your child. \ You \ can...$ 

Read Book »



## Read Write Inc. Phonics: Orange Set 4 Storybook 2 I Think I Want to be a Bee

Oxford University Press, United Kingdom, 2016. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Tim Archbold (illustrator). 209 x 149 mm. Language: N/A. Brand New Book. These engaging Storybooks provide structured practice for children learning to read the Read... Read Book »